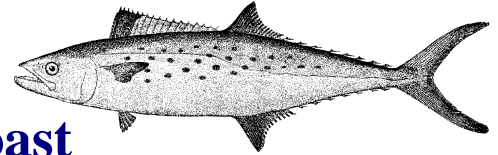


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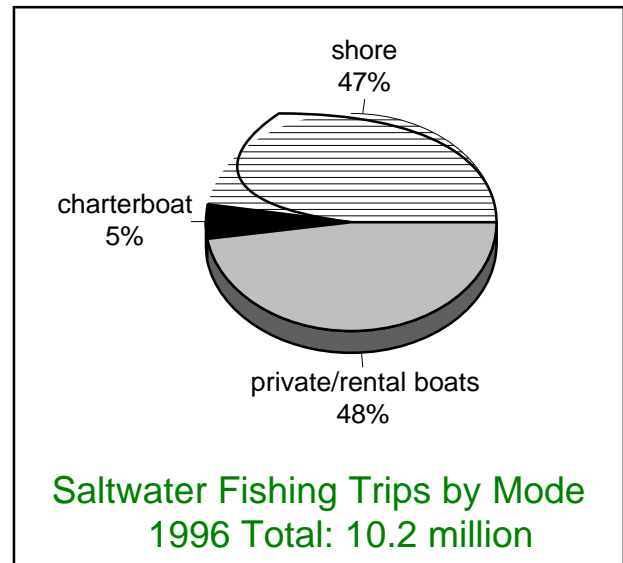
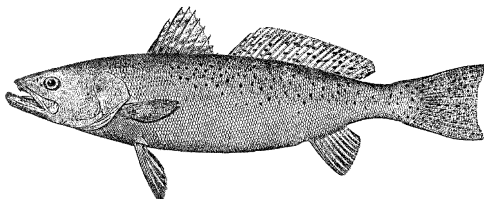
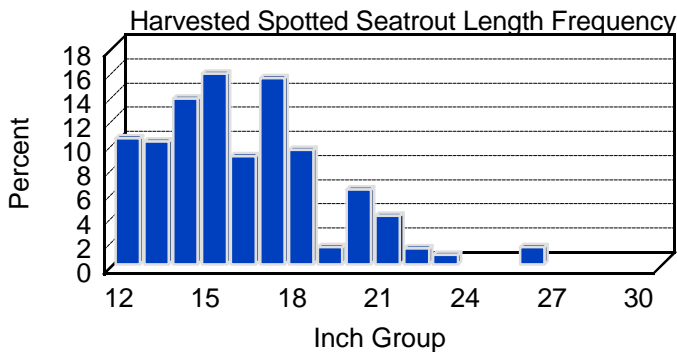
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Florida Atlantic Coast



Species	Number Harvested (thousands)	Pounds Harvested (thousands)	Number Released (thousands)
DOLPHINS	776	5060	99
SPANISH MACKEREL	233	396	161
SPOTTED SEATROUT	144	243	1050
SHEEPSHEAD	426	968	245
KING MACKEREL	288	2918	45



DID YOU KNOW?

- ➡ Over 1,842 anglers participated in recreational saltwater fishing off Florida's Atlantic coast in 1996.
- ➡ More dolphin fish were caught by anglers off Florida's Atlantic coast in 1996 than from any other state.
- ➡ MRFSS field interviewers have identified 350 different species of fish caught in Florida waters.
- ➡ Over 276,000 saltwater anglers have been interviewed at Florida fishing sites since the MRFSS began in 1979.